



Spring 2007 Schedule



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Red-winged blackbird babies.

Long before humans begin thinking spring, the natural world is turning toward the season as days lengthen. Skunk cabbage pokes up through the snow, and the night woods are punctuated by loud hoots and calls as owls begin seeking mates. Spring is coming, and before we realize it, the woods seem to burst into bloom. Coltsfoot, spring beauty, daffodils, and toothwort can be found by the spring seeker.

Why let spring slip by you? Why not get out and put some spring into your step? Your backyard national park, Cuyahoga Valley National Park, offers many opportunities to explore spring, whether you enjoy wildflowers, hiking, or history. An everchanging wildflower carpet flourishes in the season before summer's foliage crowds out the light. Grab an identification book or step alongside a ranger on a hike to learn about these seasonal beauties.

Although spring can be a season of boot-sucking mud, still the season begs you to step up, step out, and enjoy the return of warmer days and sunshine. You can join one of the many recreational hikes offered by the park, or invite a friend to step

out with you. That spring in your step may lead you to discover the deafening din of spring peepers in a park pond on Oak Hill Trail, or to sight a trillium along the Stanford Trail, or just to enjoy wildlife watching along the Towpath. This is the time that the animal world springs in its steps as animals begin the age-old search for mates.

Stepping out along the trails can have great benefits, too, for your health and spirituality. More and more people are turning to their national parks for health and recreation needs. Putting spring in your step can also benefit others as well as the park. Perhaps you will choose to assist in a volunteer event such as the National Trails Day to learn how to care about your favorite trail and meeting other folks who enjoy their national park.

Edwin Way Teale wrote, "The world's favorite time is spring. All things seem possible in May." Don't let another spring slip by. Put some spring in your step and let it take you into your next-door national park. That bloodroot flower, the squawking red-winged blackbird babies, the salamander migration, your health and spirit, won't wait.

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Support Cuyahoga Valley National Park through its friends group, CVNPA!

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Enjoy a wide variety of arts including concerts, contra dancing, and photography presentations.

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Explore CVNP's recreational offerings including ranger-guided hikes and boomerang flying.



Valley Highlights



National Park Service
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Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP) encompasses 33,000 acres along the Cuyahoga River between Cleveland and Akron, Ohio. Managed by the National Park Service, CVNP combines cultural, historical, recreational, and natural activities in one setting.

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Protect Yourself

Be sure to wear weather-appropriate clothing and drink water for varied activities in the park.

Do not leave valuables in your vehicles.

Keep your dog on a leash at all times for the protection of wildlife, other visitors, and your pet.

Countryside Harvest Guide

Discover Local Food and Seasonal Eating in Northeast Ohio

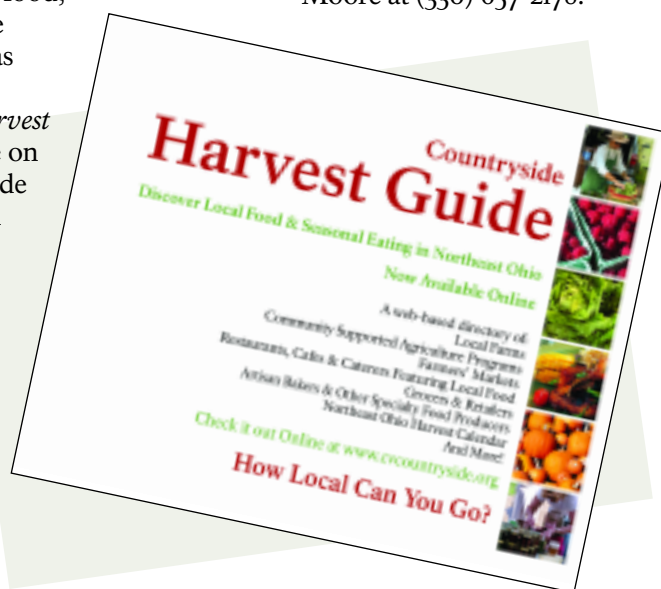
In Northeast Ohio and around the country, the demand for locally produced food is growing. Buyers are seeking out fresh, delicious foods that are grown closer to home by small-scale farmers and local producers. Despite this growing demand, many Northeast Ohio shoppers still have trouble finding these local foods. And many local producers struggle to find customers and viable markets for their locally grown and produced foods.

To help Northeast Ohio consumers connect with convenient, high quality sources of local food, the Countryside Conservancy has published the *Countryside Harvest Guide*. Available on the web, the guide introduces food buyers to the people in our communities

who grow, harvest, deliver, market, and prepare delicious, locally grown food.

The *Countryside Harvest Guide* includes local farms; Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) programs; farmers' markets; restaurants, cafés, and caterers featuring local foods; grocers and retailers; artisan bakers and other specialty food producers; a Northeast Ohio harvest calendar; and more!

To access the *Countryside Harvest Guide*, please visit www.cvcountryside.org. Printed copies are available upon request by contacting Kari Moore at (330) 657-2178.



Cuyahoga Valley National Park is a part of the larger Ohio & Erie Canalway. The Ohio & Erie Canalway celebrates the regional and national contributions of the 19th-century Ohio & Erie Canal. By connecting the Ohio frontier with New York and New Orleans, the Ohio & Erie Canal helped people and products flow across America, fueling westward expansion, a national market economy, and regional industrial strength.

Today the Ohio & Erie Canalway is a national heritage area: a place to experience trails, trains, scenic byways, canal towns, ethnic neighborhoods, working rivers, great lakes, industrial landscapes, and green spaces, as you explore our past, present, and future. For more information visit www.ohioanderiecanalway.com.



Correction:

The photo at the bottom of page 3 of the Winter 2006-07 Schedule of Events was incorrectly attributed to Carol Conti-Entin. The photographer was Tom Jones. We apologize for the error.

4th Annual Spree For All

Tuesday, May 1 through Saturday, June 30

Visitors of all ages, health levels, and physical abilities can enjoy this award-winning hiking series. Complete at least five hikes on five different trails, the same trail, or any combination of trails to receive hiking rewards. Cuyahoga Valley National Park participated in 2006 and is proud to be a part of this partnership for health in 2007. See page 11 for ranger-led programs on our Spree For All trails: Ira Trailhead, Everett Road Covered Bridge, and Horseshoe Pond.

Hikes must be completed from May 1 through June 30. Beginning April 15, hiking forms and the list of trails will be

available online at www.summit-metroparks.org, at F.A. Seiberling Nature Realm (1828 Smith Road, Akron), the park district's administrative offices (975 Treaty Line Road, Akron) and by calling (800) 23-SUMMA. Spree For All is presented by Metro Parks, Serving Summit County and Summa Health System. Hikes are FREE for all participants. Non-Summit County residents pay to receive their hiking rewards (\$10 for first-year hikers, \$5 for veteran hikers).

For more information call (330) 865-8065, (330) 867-5511, or 1-800-23-SUMMA.



Do you Know about Terra Vista?

Terra Vista is an area of Cuyahoga Valley National Park encompassing wetlands, meadows, and forests that was designated as a natural study area by the National Park Service in 2006. You may see coyotes, deer, raptors, songbirds, waterfowl, and other wildlife that frequent the area. Wildflowers such as milkweed, goldenrod, and ironweed provide food for more than 45 species of butterflies. The natural world comes alive at Terra Vista.

With the many natural encounters possible at Terra Vista, it is hard to imagine that less than 30 years ago this area was severely affected by sand and gravel mining operations. The National Park Service acquired this land, performed minimal site restoration, and let natural succession take its course, transforming this disturbed landscape into a thriving home for plants and animals.

Today, the unique environment of Terra Vista provides an ideal field laboratory setting for a variety of ongoing natural resource monitoring and research projects. Please help our research efforts by not disturbing any research plots or markers. By being sensitive to this landscape, you will help with its continuing renewal.

Terra Vista is a “trash free” area of the park. As you visit this section of Cuyahoga Valley National Park, you will notice the absence of trash cans. Please take your trash with you when you leave. This program is designed to encourage park users to take an active role in keeping their national park clean and beautiful.

Terra Vista is located on Tinkers Creek Road in Valley View about 1,500 feet east of the intersection of Tinkers Creek and Canal Roads, adjacent to the Valley View Village Church.



Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association

Summer Camp Open House

Sundays, April 15 and May 13

Although it may be cold outside, Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association wants you to start thinking about summer! Come to one of our Summer Camp Open House events to learn about summer camp in Cuyahoga Valley National Park.

These events are a chance for families to visit the Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center and explore the facilities, learn about camp offerings, and meet with summer camp coordinators to answer any questions about the programs.

Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center, 1 - 4 p.m. For more information call (330) 657-2796 ext. 107 or visit www.cvnpa.org.

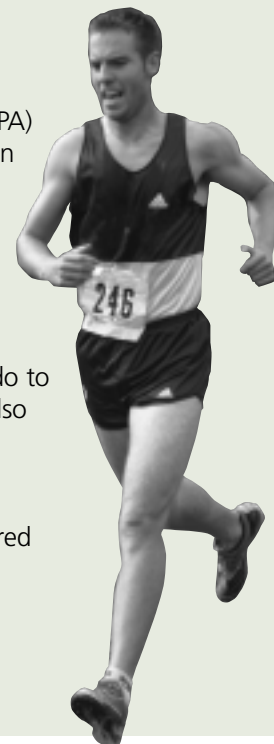
CVNPA 3rd Annual Spring Fever Eco Run

Saturday, May 5

Join Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association (CVNPA) for our third annual Spring Fever Eco Run. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. and the race begins at 9 a.m. at Boston Mills Ski Resort. This 5-mile run and 1-mile fun run/walk fundraiser through Cuyahoga Valley National Park is your opportunity to take care of yourself and your national park.

The event will feature information on what you can do to encourage environmental sustainability. CVNPA will also be collecting old running shoes for recycling. On-line registration is available at www.cvnpa.org.

Healthful refreshments will be provided for all registered participants, and the first 300 registrants will receive Spring Fever Eco Run 2007 t-shirts. Leashed dogs are welcome to participate in the 1-mile event. For more information call (330) 657-2909 ext. 136 or visit www.cvnpa.org.



Reasons to Become a Member of CVNPA

You enjoy CVNP and you can visit as often as you like—for free! So why become a member of CVNPA? In addition to the satisfaction you receive from supporting a wonderful natural and cultural resource, there are some great benefits, too!



**Cuyahoga Valley
National Park
Association**

- \$5 discount on tickets to all Heritage Series concerts (a 33 percent discount!)
- Discounts on children's programming, including Junior Ranger and Summer Camp programs
- Participation in the popular Electronic Recycling program
- Special members-only events, such as quarterly Member Hikes at Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center and an annual ice cream social!
- Receive MemberNews electronic newsletter every month

Fill out the form at right and mail it with payment to CVNPA today!

Join CVNPA and help protect and support your national park!

Membership Program Levels

___ Earth (Individual) \$35 ___ Rock (Family) \$45 ___ River \$100

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

___ Check enclosed (payable to CVNPA)

___ Charge my ☐ Visa ☐ MC ☐ Discover ☐ AMEX

Account Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Signature: _____

Mail membership form to: **CVNPA**
1403 W. Hines Hill Road
Peninsula, Ohio 44264

Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association

Trail Running Camp

Friday and Saturday, May 11 - 12

Hit the ground running in Cuyahoga Valley National Park! Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association and Vertical Runner are teaming up for a weekend trail running event at Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center. The weekend will feature a variety of speakers and seminars and the opportunity for runners of all skill levels to explore the miles of trails throughout the park.

Seminars will include competing in trail races; how to train for trail races; increasing distances for trail races; and night trail running. There will also be an informational session about injury prevention, nutrition, and cross training for trail runners.

Speakers include Joe Jurczyk, race director of the Burning River 100 and founder of the Buckeye Trail 50K; and Connie Gardner and Mark Godale, world class ultra marathoners.

Pre-registration is required. Fee: \$100 per person includes shared accommodations, all meals and snacks, and an event t-shirt. Participants must be 18 years or older. Arrival for the Trail Running Camp begins at 6 p.m. on Friday, May 11, and camp ends at 6 p.m. on Saturday, May 12. Runners should be able to run 1 to 2 hours as a long run and be capable of doing multiple runs in one day. For more information call (330) 657-2796 ext. 107 or visit www.cvnpa.org.

Women of the Wilderness: New Program for Women Teaches Outdoor Living Skills

Friday through Sunday, March 23 - 25

Residents of Northeast Ohio have the unique opportunity to spend time exploring natural places because of the easy access to Cuyahoga Valley National Park. But how many people have the opportunity to leave their cell phones and computers behind to spend time in the wilderness with little more than what nature has to offer?

Through a new program offered by Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association, women have the chance to learn outdoor living skills or sharpen skills they may already have. The weekend program runs from Friday at 6 p.m. through Sunday.

Sessions include how to prepare for a hike; how to cook a full meal over a campfire; learning about edible plants of Ohio; and orienteering, the skill of using maps and a GPS unit to plan a travel route.

Pre-registration is required. Fee: \$165 for non-members (includes a 1-year CVNPA membership) and \$135 for CVNPA members. One night only: \$100 for non-members, \$75 for members. Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center. For more information call (330) 657-2796 ext. 107 or visit www.cvnpa.org.

Farm Art - from Plate to Palette

*Wednesday, June 6 through
Sunday, August 26*

Call for entries! Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association and Cuyahoga Valley Countryside Conservancy are joining together to celebrate the art of the farm by hosting a visual expression of food and farming. This exhibition will highlight the connection between art and agriculture and will be held June 6 through August 26, 2007, at the John F. Seiberling Gallery in CVNPA's Administrative Offices.

Open to Ohio visual artists in all media, the exhibit will be juried by



William Busta from slides or digital images. Entry fee is \$20 for up to two images, payable to CVNPA. Cash awards available. Entry deadline is May 5.



Visit www.cvnpa.org for entry information or contact Lisa Meranti at lmeranti@cvnpa.org or (330) 657-2909 ext. 136.

Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad

CVSR will operate regular excursions on Saturdays and Sundays from March 3 through May 13, 2007. CVSR will not operate regular excursions on Saturdays and Sundays, April 7 and 8; May 19 and 20; and May 26 and 27.

Peninsula Explorer

Ride the rails, then take a hike along the Towpath Trail, explore the Village of Peninsula, and still have time for lunch or shopping. Allow 4-1/2 hours. Fee: \$20 adults, \$15 seniors 65 and over, and \$9 children 3 - 12. Rockside Station, 10:15 a.m. To register call (800) 468-4070.

Scenic Limited

Enjoy a 1-3/4 -hour excursion through CVNP. Fee: \$15 adults, \$13 seniors 65 and over, and \$8 children 3 - 12. Rockside Station, 10:15 a.m. and 1 p.m. To register call (800) 468-4070.

Canal Limited

Travel to Canal Visitor Center to explore exhibits on the Ohio & Erie Canal. Following a 55-minute layover, climb aboard the train for the return trip. Allow 2-1/2 hours. Fee: \$15 adults, \$13 seniors 65 and over, and \$8 children 3 - 12. Peninsula Depot, 11:15 a.m. To register call (800) 468-4070.



Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad

Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad (CVSR) is a private sector, not-for-profit organization in partnership with Cuyahoga Valley National Park. CVSR is dedicated to the preservation of historic passenger rail transportation in the Cuyahoga Valley.

For reservations or more information, call (800) 468-4070 or visit www.cvsr.com.



Grape Escape Wine-Tasting Express

Fridays, March 9 and April 27

Enjoy a night out in the beautiful Cuyahoga Valley aboard CVSR while tasting five choice wines and appetizers. Reservations required. Ages 21 and older. Fee: \$45 coach, \$65 first class, and \$80 executive class. Friday, March 9, Rockside Station; Friday, April 27, Boston Mill Station. 7 - 9 p.m. To register call (800) 468-4070.

Maple Sugar Express

Saturdays and Sundays, March 17 - 18 and 24 - 25

Ride the train to Hale Farm & Village to meet a pioneer family who will share the ancient process of maple

sugar production. Fee: \$20 adults, \$15 seniors 65 and over, and \$9 children 3 - 12. Additional admission to Hale Farm & Village. Rockside Station, 10:15 a.m. To register call (800) 468-4070.



Sunday Matinees

We may not have Hollywood stars, but we've got our very own cadre of CVNP park rangers and volunteers that sparkle like Tinsel Town's finest. Climb aboard CVSR and enjoy a colorful program as you travel through your national park. Fee: \$10 for ages 3 and up. Rockside Station, 1 - 3 p.m. To register call (800) 468-4070.

Sunday, March 4

Blast from the Past: Roaring 20s

Put on your flapper dress and climb aboard CVSR to explore a decade in the Cuyahoga Valley that saw rising hemlines, bootlegging, and temperance meetings. Learn where valley folks hid the good stuff, how Peninsula paid for streetlights, and where you might have gone for some fun. Our colorful actors and actresses will have you dancing in the aisles during this Blast from the Past.

Sunday, April 15

Freedom of the Road

Jump in your T-bird, cruise to Rockside Station, and climb aboard the train for a colorful exploration of over 100 years of automobile history in the Cuyahoga Valley. Our actors and actresses will take you on a journey down memory lane where the Towpath once served as a road, service stations flourished, and hot rods ruled, thanks to the "devil's wagon."

Sunday, April 29

Join the Circus

Ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls, welcome to CVSR's very own version of the circus train. Faded images of the past tell tales of lion tamers, ringmasters, and acrobats traveling through Peninsula, Ohio. Join us for a fun look at this former small-town tradition.

Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad

Easter Egg Extravaganza

Saturday and Sunday, March 31 - April 1

Take the Easter Bunny Express from Independence to Peninsula, then take a bus 1 mile to Happy Days Visitor Center to meet the Easter Bunny and have some fun. Join Park Rangers Pamela Machuga and Kerry Vincent for a puppet show, crafts, and an Easter egg hunt with prizes. Please allow 4-1/2 hours for this excursion. Fee: \$25 adults, \$20 seniors 65 and over, and \$12 children 3 - 12. Rockside Station, 10:15 a.m. To register call (800) 468-4070.

Hartville Special

Saturday, April 21

Spend the day on the rails, then enjoy some shopping in Hartville. Ride the train from Rockside Station to Akron Northside Station, and from there take a bus to the Hartville Flea Market and

Kitchen for a 2-1/2-hour layover. Fee: \$35 adults and \$20 children ages 3 - 12. Rockside Station, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. To register call (800) 468-4070.

Mother's Day Special

Sunday, May 13

Celebrate your Mother's Day while riding the train through Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Scenic Limited departs Rockside Station at 10:15 a.m. and 1 p.m. Canal Limited departs Peninsula Depot at 11:15 a.m. Fee: 4 persons for \$28, each additional person is \$7. To register call (800) 468-4070.

"Day Out With Thomas"™

Saturday and Sunday, May 19 - 20 and Friday through Sunday, May 25 - 27, 2007

Enjoy a 25-minute train ride with Thomas the Tank Engine. Meet Sir Topham Hatt and enjoy clowns,



Photo by Sara Guren.

magicians, live music, storytelling, and other fun activities for young children. Tickets: \$16 ages 2 and older. Advance purchase is recommended. Boston Mill Station. To register call (866) 468-7630.



Photo by Tom Jones.

Young at Heart

CVSR and CVNP invite the Young at Heart (ages 55 and over) to explore the valley, with a focus on the natural and cultural history of CVNP. All ages are welcome, but the cost is only \$7 for anyone ages 55 and over. Allow 1-1/2 hours. Fee: \$15 adults, \$7 seniors, and \$8 children 3 - 12. Rockside Station, 10:15 a.m. To register call (800) 468-4070.

Wednesday, March 28

The Flood of 1913

March 26, 1913: the *Akron Beacon Journal* headline read: "Worst Flood in Ohio History ... a calamity which can only be compared to the death, destruction, horrors, and devastation of war has overtaken the state of Ohio." In the Cuyahoga Valley, as the floodwaters retreated, people picked up the pieces of their lives, mourned the loss of loved ones, and said goodbye to the ditch that brought the world to the wilderness.

Wednesday, April 25

Orphan Trains

In mid-19th-century New York, serious social problems arose, including vagrant youths living on the streets. Along came a young minister and a radical proposal: place these homeless children aboard trains headed west, and find them families who will provide shelter, education, and a new home.

Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series

The Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series, presented by the National Park Service and Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association, celebrates the cultural legacy of the Cuyahoga Valley. For more information about CVNPA and its membership program, visit www.cvnpa.org.

Admission unless otherwise noted: \$15 adults, \$10 CVNPA members, and \$5 children 3 - 12. General seating. Advance sales available by calling (330) 657-2909. You can create your own subscription series. All concerts are held at Happy Days Visitor Center and begin at 8 p.m. unless otherwise stated. Doors open at 7 p.m.

Téada

Tuesday, March 13

Téada's characteristic lively blend of traditional Irish instrumentals and vocals has helped the band evolve into one of the busiest touring acts on the traditional music scene. The band has a creative and spontaneous musical approach, seeking to capture the intricacies of traditional art form within a contemporary band context. *This concert begins at 7:30 p.m.*

Atwater-Donnelly

Saturday, March 31

Folk duo Aubrey Atwater and Elwood Donnelly present delightful programs of traditional American and Celtic folk songs, a capella pieces, hymns, dance tunes, and original works. In addition to their vocal blend of gorgeous and unusual harmonies, the duo sparkles on guitar, dulcimer, mandolin, banjo, bones, and other instruments and adds clog dancing and French-Canadian footwork.

Corinne West

Saturday, April 14

From the open meadows of California's North Sierra, Corinne West spins tales



Corinne West

with a part-velvet, part-grit voice that is both achingly penetrating and highly addictive. Her music has a cool, layered, yet driven sound and has been referred to as utterly spellbinding, radiant, and extraordinarily beautiful by reviewers worldwide.

Mountain Rose: The Juggernaut Jug Band

Saturday, April 21

The Juggernaut Jug Band presents the infectiously fun music that was immensely popular from the 1890s through the depression. Members include Roscoe Goose on first jug, washboard, and trumpet; The Amazing Mr. Fish on walking bass and washtub bass; Skip Tracer on guitar, mandolin, banjo and vocals; and Smiley Habanero playing guitar. Admission: \$15 (door), \$12 (advance), and \$7.50 children 3 - 12. For more information and tickets, visit www.mountainroseconcerts.org or call (330) 733-8845 or CVNPA at (330) 657-2909.

John Gorka

Saturday, April 28

John Gorka is known for applying his rich baritone vocals to a wide range of song forms—intimate confessional songs about love and loss, humorous observations about daily life in his neighborhood, poignant commentary on political moods, and exuberant explosions of

unmitigated joy. For those who come to hear him sing, it is Gorka's honest writing and ability to say it all with an economy of words that keep them coming back for more.

Rani Arbo and daisy mayhem

Saturday, May 5

With wicked percussion, sublime lead singing, great harmonies, and a deep repertoire, Rani Arbo and *daisy mayhem* are four people who share an irresistible chemistry on stage. Rani Arbo, fiddler and founder of *daisy mayhem*, is joined by longtime singing partner Andrew Kinsey, who performs on upright bass, banjo, whistle, and ukulele. Anand Nayak adds both lead and harmony vocals and guitar, while Scott Kessel provides creative percussion on the "Drumship Enterprise."

Back of the Moon

Friday, May 18

Back of the Moon is a traditional Scottish folk band, with both new and traditional tunes and songs cast in fresh, modern-sounding arrangements. *Back of the Moon* creates their giant acoustic sound through tightly woven pipes and fiddle, an intimate pairing of low whistle and flute, the distinctive rhythmic force of their guitar/piano rhythm combo, and awesome three-part vocal harmonies.



John Gorka

Cuyahoga Valley Photographic Society

As an activity of Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association in cooperation with the National Park Service, CVPS promotes CVNP through the photographic arts by providing educational opportunities such as workshops, presentations, photo walks, and an annual photo contest. For more information contact CVPS at info@cvps.org or CVNPA at (330) 657-2909.

CVPS sponsors monthly presentations by local, regional, and national photographers at Happy Days Visitor Center. All presentations start at 7 p.m. Free unless otherwise stated.

Thursday, March 15

Jackson Bog, a Photographer's Perspective

CVPS member Michael Witt will present images from his recent book accompanied by music. Witt will offer hints for photographers who want to publish their own work.

Thursday, April 19

Photographing Birds

Nationally published photographer Jim Roetzel will explain techniques and share how following nature's migrations, rhythms, and seasons helps him capture amazing bird images.

Thursday May 17

Growing Season: The Life of a Migrant Community

Gary Harwood, Kent State University's chief photographer since 1987, will share photographs from his recent book on Hartville, Ohio.

Peggy Seeger and John McCutcheon

Saturday, May 26

With more than 20 solo discs and 100 recordings with other performers, Peggy Seeger is considered to be among North America's finest female folksingers. Peggy had a leading role in the British folk music revival, not only as a singer and instrumentalist but also as a theorist and songwriter. Johnny Cash once referred to John McCutcheon as the most impressive instrumentalist he ever heard. He is a master of a dozen different traditional instruments, and his songwriting ability has been hailed by critics and singers around the globe. John's music has garnered every imaginable honor and, whether traditional or from his huge catalog of original songs, has the profound mark of place, family, and strength.

Ramblin' River Retreat for Songmaking

Friday through Sunday, May 25 - 27

Held within the majesty of CVNP, this songmaking retreat combines local, regional, and nationally recognized talents Hal Walker, Michael Grady, Sally Potter, and folk icon Peggy Seeger for a weekend of workshops and concerts dedicated to the arts of writing, singing, and performing song. For more information visit www.ramblinriver.com.

Apollo's Fire, The Cleveland Baroque Orchestra

Tuesday and Wednesday, June 5 - 6

Apollo's Fire will take you on a tour of Renaissance fairs—from the bawdy humor of Shakespeare's England to the haunting melodies of the Perth Fayre in Scotland. In New World, you will hear the fiery fiddling of homesick Scottish immigrants in Cape Breton. Turn south to an Appalachian fair where the rhythms of the hammered dulcimer will set your feet tapping. Admission: \$30 and \$20. Happy Days Visitor Center, 7:30 p.m. For reservations call (216) 320-0012 or (800) 314-2535.

Peninsula Jazz Festival

Sunday, April 15

Featuring New Orleans jazz musicians from around the region. Presented by the Peninsula Library and Historical Society. Free. Happy Days Visitor Center, 3 - 6 p.m. Shuttle provided.

Cuyahoga Valley Nature Writers

Fridays, March 9, April 13, and May 11

This group assists amateur and professional writers with their original work. Participants should bring 15 copies of a poem, short story, or essay. Discussion centers on the strengths and weaknesses of each piece, with suggestions for enhancing chances of publication. Fee: \$3. Boston Store, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. For more information call (330) 657-2909.

Cuyahoga Valley Contra Dance

Thursdays, March 8 and 22, April 12 and 26, and May 10 and 24

Join Strings & Things and caller Carol Kopp for lively jigs, reels, and tunes. Come for the music or for the dance, but wear comfortable clothing and shoes. Park Ranger Rebecca Jones will present a Contra Conversation on May 10. Fee: \$6. Boston Township School House, 7 p.m. teaching, 8 - 10:30 p.m. dancing.

Art @ M.D. Garage

Saturdays and Sundays, April 21 - May 27 (and Monday, May 28)

Spring Has Sprung

Art @ M.D. Garage is a series of free art exhibitions organized by the Crooked River Gang, a volunteer group that promotes art in the Cuyahoga Valley. The M.D. Garage is a 1940s gas station in the village of Boston. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Hiking & Recreation

Full Moon Hikes

Explore your park by dark with only a full moon to light your way. Join a park ranger for the unique experience of discovering CVNP after dark.

Saturday, March 3

The Full Awakening Moon

Join a park ranger for a moderate 2-mile hike around the Lake Trail and Kendall Hills as we discuss examples of awakenings and harbingers of spring, such as skunk cabbage and tree sap. Kendall Lake Shelter, 7 - 9 p.m.

Monday, April 2

The Full Frog Moon

Join a park ranger for an easy 3-mile round-trip walk along the Towpath Trail south from the Station Road Bridge. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 8 - 10 p.m.

Tuesday, May 1

The Full Budding Flower Moon

Join a park ranger for a moderate 3-mile walk on the Towpath and Hale Farm Connector Trails just before the full moon. Hunt Farm, 8 - 10 p.m.

Thursday, May 31

The Full Flower Blue Moon

Join a park ranger for an easy, 3.5-mile

Towpath walk north from Boston. Boston Store, 8:30 - 10:30 p.m.

Orienteering

Saturday, March 24

Learn or hone land navigation skills at the season-opening event of the Northeastern Ohio Orienteering Club. Courses for all skill levels offered. Beginners are welcome, and instruction is available. Bring a compass and a whistle. Hiking shoes recommended. Map fee: \$8 for non-members and \$5 for members. Happy Days Visitors Center, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. For more information call (866) 812-8316.

Sunday, May 13

Sharpen your land navigation skills with the Northeastern Ohio Orienteering Club as you navigate your way through two short/fast courses among the boulders of the CVNP Ledges area. These courses will provide a challenge for both the experienced and novice orienteer. A beginner course and instruction will also be available for the first timer. Bring a compass and a whistle. Hiking shoes are recommended. Map fee: \$8 for non-members and \$5 for members. Ledges Shelter, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. For more information call (866) 812-8316.

Spring Fever Eco Run

Saturday, May 5

See page 4 for more information.

Hiking for Hotcakes

Sunday, May 6

Join Park Ranger Beth Rush for a 4.5-mile hike to the Stanford House for its annual pancake breakfast! We'll hike the Stanford Trail, fuel up on pancakes, and return to Brandywine Falls. Fee for pancakes: \$10 adults and \$5 children 12 and under. Brandywine Falls, 7:30 - 11 a.m.



Photo by Eric Baron.

Three Falls Hike

Sunday, May 27

The waterfalls of CVNP offer beauty; the hikes to them offer a challenge. Join Park Ranger Pamela Machuga on this 9.5-mile difficult hike to Brandywine, Blue Hen, and Buttermilk Falls to explore the dynamics of our watershed. Please pack a lunch and wear appropriate footwear. Brandywine Falls, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Boomerangs

Saturday, March 24

Boomerangs for Beginners

At recent fall and winter workshops, participants constructed their own boomerangs. Come and learn how to fly these amazing flying machines that really do come back to the thrower. Extra boomerangs available to throw. All instruction and use is free. Howe Meadow, 2 - 4 p.m.

Saturday, April 14

Spring "Fly-In"

Start to hone your skills or try boomerangs for the first time. Learn the

Spring Training

It is time to get out of the house and get ready for a spring, summer, and fall of great hiking. Join a park ranger in this biweekly series to prepare for the hiking season, starting with easier trails and working our way up to 11 miles.

Sunday, March 11

2.2-mile hike along the Ledges Trail. Ledges Shelter, 2 - 3:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 25

3.25-mile hike on the Stanford and Brandywine Gorge Trails. Stanford Hostel, 2 - 3:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 1

4-mile hike on the Buckeye Trail. Ira Trailhead, 2 - 4 p.m.

Sunday, April 15

6-mile hike along the Lake, Cross Country, and Salt Run Trails. Kendall Lake Shelter, 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 29

8-mile hike on the Buckeye and Valley Trails. NPS Park Headquarters, 1 - 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 13

11-mile hike on the Buckeye and Valley Trails. Pack a lunch. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 11 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

importance of wind direction and behavior to ensure accurate return flights. Free boomerang use and instruction. Howe Meadow, 2 - 4 p.m.

Saturday, May 26

Fun With Boomerangs

Come out to Howe Meadow and learn to throw these amazing Australian flying machines. Learn their history and what makes them fly—then try it yourself, practicing safe flying skills. Fun for the family and completely free! Howe Meadow, 2 - 4 p.m.

Women of the Wilderness

Friday through Sunday, March 23 to 25
See page 5 for more information.

Women's Backpacking Weekend

Join CVNP and Cleveland Metroparks staff as we hike a closed section of CVNP. This is a rare opportunity to explore backpacking in a women-only group. On Saturday, we'll hike 5 miles on the Plateau Trail to our campsite and set up camp. On Sunday, after breakfast and a morning hike, we will pack-out 2 miles to our starting point. Camping equipment is available. Activity level: moderate. Ages: 18 and older. Fee: \$50. Advance registration required. To register call (216) 341-1704.

Pre-Trip Meetings

Wednesdays, April 4 and 11

Brecksville Nature Center, 6:30 - 9 p.m.

Women's Backpacking Weekend

Saturday and Sunday, April 21 - 22

Meet Saturday with equipment at Oak Hill Trailhead, 9:30 a.m.

Off the Beaten Path

Sunday, April 22

Join Park Ranger Kerry Vincent for an off-trail trek adventure. Start and finish in the same place and follow "Leave No Trace" practices as you explore CVNP. Ages 12 and older. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Be prepared for all types of terrain. Maximum of 20

Saturday in the Park

Join park rangers every other Saturday this spring to explore history, nature, and recreation in the Cuyahoga Valley!

Saturday, March 10

Spring on the Canal

Explore what it might have been like to travel on the Ohio & Erie Canal on a spring afternoon. Join a park ranger for an easy 3.5-mile hike on the Towpath Trail between Boston Store and Red Lock Boston Store, 2 - 4 p.m.

Saturday, March 24

Hiking for Your Health

Join Park Ranger Beth Rush to welcome spring for a 5.25-mile hike on the Old Carriage and Towpath Trails. We'll talk about healthy ways to prepare your body for hiking, how to build up your mileage, and tips for endurance out on the trail. Red Lock Trailhead, 8 - 11 a.m.

Saturday, April 7

Spring Thing Hike

Join a park ranger on this 1.2-mile hike to explore Blue Hen Falls. Blue Hen Falls Trailhead, 2 - 3 p.m.

Saturday, April 21

The Heron Dating and Mating Game

Join Park Ranger Scott Van Houten for a short walk to view the heronry on W. Bath Road. You'll learn what great blue heron bachelors numbers 1, 2, and 3 will go through for the opportunity to pair with a fair bachelorette great blue heron. Botzum Trailhead, 2 - 3 p.m.

Saturday, May 5

Spring Thing Hike

Join a park ranger on this 1.5-mile hike on the Oak Hill Trail. Oak Hill Trailhead, 2 - 3 p.m.

Saturday, May 19

Petals in the Park

Join Park Ranger Karen Kopchak to explore the abundant wildflowers blooming along the moderately difficult Brandywine Gorge Trail. Review basic identification techniques, test out a variety of field guides, and learn about historic and medicinal uses of dozens of the different species you will see. Brandywine Falls, 2 - 4 p.m.

participants. Indigo Lake Trailhead, 2 - 4 p.m. To register call (800) 445-9667.

Hiking: Going to the Dogs

Dog walking along the Towpath Trail is fun for pets and owners alike. Join a park ranger on this hiking series dedicated to the dog lover. All dogs must be on a 6-foot or shorter leash and under the owner's control at all times.

Sunday, March 11

1-mile walk on the Towpath and Valley Trails. Frazee House, 8 - 9 a.m.

Saturday, April 7

1-mile walk among wetlands, meadows, and forests. Terra Vista Trailhead, 8 - 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, May 6

2.5-mile walk on the Cross Country Trail. Kendall Lake Shelter, 8 - 10 a.m.

Spree For All

Celebrate Spree For All 2007 in CVNP as well as Metro Parks, Serving Summit County! Join a park ranger for guided walks on Spree for All designated trails within your national park.

Sunday, May 6

Short walk to the Ira Road Beaver Marsh and back. Ira Trailhead, 2 - 3 p.m.

Saturday, May 12

Take an easy stroll to the Everett Road Covered Bridge. Everett Road Covered Bridge Trailhead, 2 - 3 p.m.

Sunday, May 20

Explore Horseshoe Pond on this short walk. Horseshoe Pond, 2 - 3 p.m.

Trail Running Camp

Friday and Saturday, May 11 - 12

See page 5 for more information.

Nature & History

Birdwatching

Spring is the ideal time to observe nesting great blue herons in their treetop territories, high-soaring hawks on warm southerly winds, and a spectacle of songbirds stopping to feed in varied habitats within CVNP on their northbound migrations. Whether you are a beginning bird watcher or experienced birder, join a park ranger and volunteers and discover for yourself why CVNP has been designated as an Important Bird Area by the Audubon Society of Ohio.

Saturday, March 3

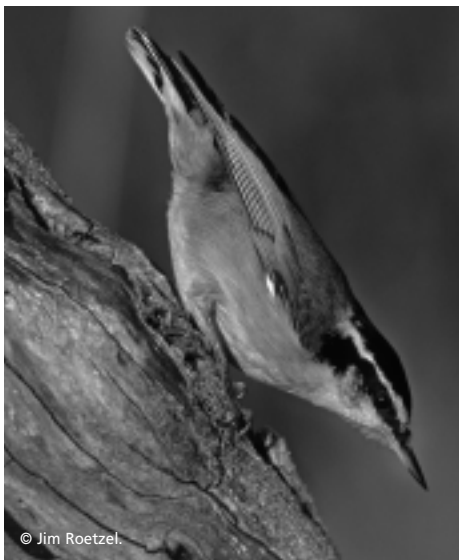
Changing Seasons

Early spring is a great time for bird watching, as some winter birds linger and spring birds start to arrive. Golden-crowned kinglets and red-breasted nuthatches frequent the protective evergreens, and bluebirds are often seen in the open fields along the 2.75-mile Tree Farm Trail. Join Park Volunteer Dwight Chasar on this early season bird walk as we search for unusual migrating birds. Horseshoe Pond, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Saturday, March 17

March Birds

As the days get longer, warm south winds blow a gentle reminder that spring has arrived, sending migrating birds on their northbound journeys. Join Park Volunteer Dwight Chasar as



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we search an area where northern shrike have been sighted for the past two years. Red Lock Trailhead, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Saturday, April 21

On the Wing

Many songbirds that wintered in South and Central America are moving to their summer breeding territories here in the Cuyahoga Valley and Canada. The pine warbler is among the first of the returning warblers that have been recorded in the red pine forests surrounding Kendall Lake. Join Park Ranger Paul Motts as we search for the pine warbler and other early returning songbirds along the trails. Kendall Lake Shelter, 8 - 10 a.m.

Saturday, May 12

Annual Spring Bird Census

Birders of all levels of experience are invited to participate in this annual spring outing to compile vital population records used in natural resource studies. Bring binoculars and a field guide. NPS Park Headquarters, 7 a.m.

Saturday, May 19

Spring Wetlands

Wetlands are among the most ecologically productive habitats now filled with song. Everywhere courtship is taking place. Tree swallows, house wrens and bluebirds nest in tree snags, and marsh wrens call from perch lookouts along the high cattails. Join Park Ranger Paul Motts and discover which birds are present in a beaver marshland. Ira Trailhead, 8 - 10:30 a.m.

Amphibians on the Move

Friday, March 2

Each spring, hundreds of amphibians venture from within the forest to vernal or temporary pools to breed. Migrating salamanders will remain at the pools for only a few days before returning to the underground depths of the forest. Join Cleveland Metroparks Naturalist Peggy Jarrett and Park Ranger Paul Motts for a 2-part program on



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migrating amphibians. Part I will introduce the amphibians of the Cuyahoga Valley. Participants of Part I will be placed on the "Amphibian Hotline" and be notified during peak migration for Part II, an evening hike to a vernal breeding pool. Brecksville Nature Center, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. To register call (440) 526-1012.

Wildflowers for Beginners

Have you tried to identify wildflowers but felt clueless about where to begin? Join Park Ranger Margaret Adams to learn the basics of wildflower identification followed by a short hike to test your budding skills and see what is growing in CVNP.

Sunday, April 29

2.2-mile hike on the Pine Grove Trail. Octagon Shelter, 2 - 4 p.m.

Sunday, May 20

2-mile hike on the Towpath Trail. Ira Trailhead, 2 - 4 p.m. See history programs on the Saturday in the Park series on page 11.

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Children's & Family Programming

Summer Camp Retreat

Friday and Saturday, March 2 - 3

Miss your camp friends, counselors and activities? Can't wait for summer? This is a weekend for experienced and first-time campers to enjoy summer camp activities, such as hiking, arts, dance, and much more! Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center. For more information call (800) 642-3297 or visit www.cvnpa.org.

Winter Chillin' Overnight

Friday and Saturday, March 9 - 10

Join park rangers as we explore nature through the eyes of many cultures on this family overnight. Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center. For more information call (800) 642-3297 or visit www.cvnpa.org.

Spring into Action

Saturday, March 10

Join Park Ranger Beth Rush for a program about our friend, planet Earth. Learn about environmentally friendly practices, ways we can use them in our own homes and at school, and make a useable craft using recycled



materials. Happy Days Visitor Center, 10:30 a.m. - noon.

Easter Egg Extravaganza

Saturday and Sunday, March 31 - April 1

You'll never believe what the Easter Groundhog has been up to in the past few months, and there is only one way to find out! Join Park Rangers Pamela Machuga and Kerry Vincent at the annual Easter Egg Extravaganza. Enjoy a puppet show, crafts, and an Easter

egg hunt. Fee: \$3. Registration required. Happy Days Visitor Center, March 31 at 9 - 10:30 a.m. and April 1 at 2 - 3:30 p.m. To register call (216) 524-1497.

Welcome Back Spring!

Saturday, April 14

Birds sing in it. Flowers bathe in it. Even animals play in it. What is this great thing that is causing so much excitement? Spring, of course. Join Park Ranger Margaret Adams in welcoming back the flowers, birds, sunshine, and spring with a short hike and crafts. Fee: \$3 per child. Happy Days Visitor Center, 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Summer Camp Open House

Sundays, April 15 and May 13

See page 4 for more information.

What Is Granny Up To Now?

Saturday, May 12

Granny Willow knows everything there is to know about Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Join us for this puppet show as she helps the animals of the forest find out what happens to animal families in the Cuyahoga Valley during the spring. She'll also lead you on a short hike to look at the baby animals at Hale Farm & Village. Ages 3 - 6. Fee: \$5 per child. Hale Farm & Village, 10:30 a.m. - noon.

Girl Scout Weekend

Friday through Sunday, May 18 - 20

Scouts can earn FIVE badges from Girl Scouts Badges and Signs while taking full advantage of the trails, ponds, forests, wonderful scenery, and comfortable facilities. Come and make new friends, explore new paths, and enjoy a great weekend of Girl Scouting fun! Space is limited so reserve for your troop today! Fee: \$85 scout and \$45 adult chaperone. Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center. To register or for more information call (800) 642-3297 or visit www.cvnpa.org.



Day in the Valley

A Fugitive's Path: Escape on the Underground Railroad

Fridays and Saturdays, March 2 - 31

In this interactive program, visitors travel to the year 1852 and become fugitives from the bonds of slavery. They experience firsthand what slaves encountered during their bid for freedom. On their journey they meet abolitionists, slave hunters, free blacks, and Quakers—some of whom are helpful; some, indifferent; and others, treacherous. Reservations required. Fee: \$15 and \$12 Western Reserve Historical Society members. Hale Farm & Village, tours every 20 minutes departing 6 p.m. through 8:20 p.m. To register call (330) 666-3711.

Maple Sugaring Days

Saturdays and Sundays, March 17 - 25

Enjoy a day of discovery and a delicious pancake breakfast at the farm! Families can enjoy demonstrations on the art of maple sugar production. Village craftsmen will be on hand, working at basket weaving, broom making, and more. Children will enjoy a “make-it, take-it” craft area. Pancake breakfast provided by Bob Evans Restaurant, prepared by BSA Troop 652. Fee: \$15 adults, \$14 seniors 65 and over, \$10 children 3 - 12 (includes breakfast and tour), and \$5 Western Reserve Historical Society members (breakfast only). Hale Farm & Village, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. For more information call (330) 666-3711.

Fun on the Farm

Fridays, March 30 - April 27

Interactive farm programs for preschoolers ages 2 - 6 and their favorite grown-ups! Every Friday features a different area of interest around the farm or village and includes a series of discovery, snacks, stories, and craft making. Fee: \$8 children and \$7 adult members. Hale Farm & Village, 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. For more information call (330) 666-3711.

Stanford Hostel's 20th Annual Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, May 6

Come with family and friends to enjoy pancakes (made from Ohio stone-ground flour), lean sausage, orange juice, coffee, and Northeast Ohio maple syrup at the 20th Annual Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser. After breakfast, explore the beautiful park trails or the Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath, or ride the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad. Fee: \$10 adults and \$5 children 12 and under. Stanford Hostel, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. For more information call (330) 467-8711, e-mail StanfordHostel@windstream.net, or visit www.stanfordhostel.org.



Mustill Store Season Opening

Saturday, March 31

Kick off the new season with historical children's games for young and old alike. We'll be grilling in the yard—stop by and have lunch with us as we welcome spring! Mustill Store, 1 - 5 p.m.

Spring Speaker Series Cascade Locks: Past, Present, Future

Wednesday, April 4

Bob Jenkins will present his slide show on 200 years of the Cascade Lock's history, from its heyday as a very busy part of the Ohio & Erie Canal to its present form as one of this area's hottest recreational areas. Presented by Cascade Parks Lock Association. Mustill Store, 7 p.m. For more information call (330) 374-5625.

Spring Speaker Series Canal Fever

Wednesday, May 2

Peg Bobel and Lynn Metzger will present a comprehensive overview of the canal and the journey to establish the Ohio & Erie National Heritage Canalway, based on their soon-to-be-released book, *Canal Fever*. Presented by Cascade Parks Lock Association. Mustill Store, 7 p.m. For more information call (330) 374-5625.



Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteer opportunities at CVNP are diverse, with something for all interests. In 2006 over 2,000 volunteers donated 70,200 hours of service. For more information on any of these opportunities, contact the volunteer office at (440) 546-5996 or call the number listed in the description. You can help make a difference at CVNP!

Adopt-a-Trail Workers

Help us maintain our trails in top condition once a month. Trail sweeps involve trimming branches, picking up trash, and cleaning culverts. No long-term commitment—come whenever you can! Contact Travis White at (440) 546-5996.

Actors / Actresses

If you've ever dreamed of being on stage, please join us on Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad for skits and entertainment. Many performances take place on the trains throughout the year. Lines provided. Contact Pamela Machuga at (330) 657-1914.

Canal Camp Volunteers

Like working with children? Assist in the operation of a historic lock, participate in historic games, and ride the train to share animal stories and more. Volunteers must be available weekday mornings during the summer. Contact Pamela Machuga at (330) 657-1914.

Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center Night Hike Leaders

Lead night hikes for 4th - 8th grade resident program groups and weekend groups. Some weekend evenings required. Must be fingerprinted before first program and pass a background check if over 18. Must have first aid/CPR training before first program. Training provided. Contact Heather Berenson at (330) 657-2796 ext. 112.

Spring Fever Eco Run Assistants

Assist CVNPA staff in planning and implementing CVNPA's spring fundraiser event, Spring Fever Eco Run, to be held Saturday, May 5. Duties may include preparing materials for registration, setting up equipment, coordinating parking plans and assignments, helping with traffic control, setting up refreshments, and assisting with cleanup. Must have strong communication skills, be organized, and flexible. Contact Lisa Meranti at (330) 657-2909 ext. 136.

Learn how to care for your favorite trail on National Trails Day

Celebrate National Trails Day by learning how to "sweep" a trail at the annual Adopt-a-Trail Training Workshop on June 2. Volunteers of all ages are invited to join CVNP trail maintenance staff and Adopt-a-Trail crew leaders at the Octagon Shelter from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. for classroom training. Then use your new skills on a trail sweep of the Ledges Trail or the Pine Grove Trail from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wear sturdy shoes and bring a small pack with work gloves, water, and lunch. Dress for the weather. Contact Travis White at (440) 546-5996 or cuva_vip_coordinator@nps.gov.

Digital Photo File Volunteers

Volunteers needed on weekdays to help manage the park's digital photo collection. Must have an eye for publication-quality photography, organization skills, and ability to enter computer data. Contact Arrye Rosser at (440) 546-5992.

GPS Corps

Join these volunteers who help collect valuable information using Global Positioning System (GPS) technology that assists the park's Geographic Information System (GIS) program. Contact Anthony Gareau at (440) 546-5978.

Historic Structure Inspections

Get a behind-the-scenes look at the variety of historic buildings throughout the park as you help park rangers monitor and complete inspection reports on historic properties. Contact Miranda O'Bryan at (440) 546-5950.

Interpretive Volunteers

Do you enjoy speaking in front of groups? If you would like to share interesting information and compelling stories with park visitors, this may be the job for you! Various assignments are available. Contact Travis White at (440) 546-5996.

Invasive Plant Removal Volunteers

Help remove invasive plants in the park. We need crew leaders to adopt an area and lead regular work sessions, as well as

Landscaping Volunteers

Plant, weed, and mulch landscape beds around CVEEC's November Lodge on Monday, April 16 from 9:30 a.m. - noon. Contact Arrye Rosser at (440) 546-5992.

participants who can assist. Contact Laura Elze at (330) 650-5071 ext. 5.

Rail Rovers

Friendly volunteers needed to share information about CVNP aboard Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad during regularly scheduled runs. Historic costumes are worn during some rides. Contact Pamela Machuga at (330) 657-1914.

Special Events Volunteers

Do you like helping people with directions and park information? We need volunteers to work special events throughout the year and help with parking, visitor center front desk work, collecting fees, and selling refreshments. Contact Margaret Adams at (216) 524-1497 ext. 225.



Student Program Leaders

Retired teachers or those who love working with students are needed to educate children about the resources of CVNP. Programs involve hands-on activities, hikes, and a train ride. Must be available weekday mornings during the spring and fall. Contact Pamela Machuga at (330) 657-1914.

Visitor Center Volunteers


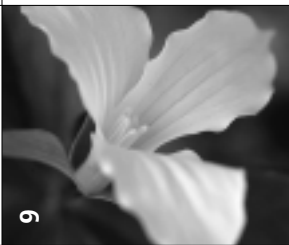

Volunteers needed to answer questions at park visitor centers. Applicants should be good communicators and be able to think quickly when assistance is needed. Contact Rebecca Jones at (330) 657-2753.

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<p>13 CVSR regular excursions, p. 6 CVSR Mother's Day Special, p. 7 Art @ M.D. Garage, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., p. 9 Spring Training Hike, 11 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., p. 10 Orienteering, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., p. 10 Summer Camp Open House, 1 - 4 p.m., p. 4</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10 Cuyahoga Valley Contra Dance, 7 p.m. lessons, 8 - 10:30 p.m. dancing, p. 9</p>	<p>11 Cuyahoga Valley Nature Writers, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., p. 9 Trail Running Camp, p. 5</p>	<p>12 CVSR regular excursions, p. 6 Birdwatching, 7 a.m., p. 12 Art @ M.D. Garage, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., p. 9 What Is Granny Up to Now?, 10:30 a.m. - noon, p. 13 Spree For All, 2 - 3 p.m., p. 11 Trail Running Camp, p. 5</p>
<p>20 Art @ M.D. Garage, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., p. 9 Spree For All, 2 - 3 p.m., p. 11 Wildflowers, 2 - 4 p.m., p. 12 CVSR "A Day Out With Thomas," p. 7 Girl Scout Weekend, p. 13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 CVPS: Gary Hanwood, 7 p.m., p. 9</p>	<p>18 Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series: Back of the Moon, 8 p.m., p. 8 Girl Scout Weekend, p. 13</p>	<p>19 Birdwatching, 8 - 10:30 a.m., p. 12 Art @ M.D. Garage, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., p. 9 Petals in the Park, 2 - 4 p.m., p. 11 CVSR "A Day Out With Thomas," p. 7 Girl Scout Weekend, p. 13</p>
<p>27 Three Falls Hike, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., p. 10 Art @ M.D. Garage, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., p. 9 CVSR "A Day Out With Thomas," p. 7 Ramblin' River Retreat for Songmaking, p. 9</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> 	<p>24 Cuyahoga Valley Contra Dance, 7 p.m. lessons, 8 - 10:30 p.m. dancing, p. 9</p>	<p>25 CVSR, "A Day Out With Thomas," p. 7 Ramblin' River Retreat for Songmaking, p. 9</p>	<p>26 Art @ M.D. Garage, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., p. 9 Fun With Boomerangs, 2 - 4 p.m., p. 11 CVSR "A Day Out With Thomas," p. 7 Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series: Peggy Seeger and John McCutcheon, 8 p.m., p. 9</p>
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Program Locations



Photo by Carol Conti-Entin.

Blue Hen Falls Trailhead - 2001 Boston Mills Road, Boston Township. 1 mile west of Riverview Road

Boston Mill Station - at intersection of Boston Mills Road, Peninsula

Boston Store - 1548 Boston Mills Road, east of Riverview Road, Peninsula

Boston Township School House - 1775 Main Street, northeast corner of SR 303 and Riverview Road, Peninsula

Boston Trailhead - just east of Boston Store on Boston Mills Road, Peninsula

Botzum Trailhead - Riverview Road, south of Bath Road, Cuyahoga Falls

Brandywine Falls - Brandywine Road, south of Highland Road, north of Twinsburg Road, Sagamore Hills

Brecksville Nature Center - Chippewa Creek Drive, .05 miles south of SR 82 in Brecksville

Canal Visitor Center - 7104 Canal Road, intersection of Canal and Hillside Roads, Valley View

Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center - 3675 Oak Hill Road, south of Major Road, Peninsula

Everett Road Covered Bridge - Everett

Road, 0.5 mile west of Riverview Road, Peninsula

Frazer House - 7733 Canal Road, 4 miles south of Rockside Road, Valley View

Hale Farm & Village - 2686 Oak Hill Road, north of Ira Road, Bath Township

Happy Days Visitor Center - 500 West Streetsboro Road (SR 303), 1 mile west of SR 8, Peninsula

Horseshoe Pond - Major Road, Peninsula, 1 mile west of Riverview Road

Howe Meadow - 4040 Riverview Road, 4 miles south of SR 303, Peninsula

Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center - 2054 Bolanz Road, between Riverview and Akron-Peninsula Roads, Peninsula

Indigo Lake Station - at Indigo Lake Trailhead

Indigo Lake Trailhead - Riverview Road, south of Bolanz Road, Cuyahoga Falls

Ira Trailhead - Riverview Road, north of Ira Road, Cuyahoga Falls

Kendall Lake Shelter - 1000 Truxell Road, 2 miles west of Akron-Cleveland Road, Peninsula

Ledges Shelter - 701 Truxell Road, 1 mile west of Akron-Cleveland Road, Peninsula

M.D. Garage - adjacent to Boston Store, Peninsula

Mustill Store - 248 Ferndale Street, Akron

NPS Park Headquarters - 15610 Vaughn Road, intersection of Vaughn and Riverview Roads, Brecksville

Oak Hill Trailhead - 3901 Oak Hill Road, 1.3 miles south of Major Road, Peninsula

Octagon Shelter - 801 Truxell Road, 1.5 miles west of Akron-Cleveland Road, Peninsula

Peninsula Depot Visitor Center - 1630 Mill Street, off Akron-Peninsula Road, north of SR 303, Peninsula

Red Lock Trailhead - 1175 Highland Road, Sagamore Hills, across from Brandywine Ski Resort

Rockside Station - Old Rockside Road, one block north of Rockside Road off Canal Road, Independence

Stanford Hostel - 6093 Stanford Road, Peninsula

Station Road Bridge Trailhead - Riverview Road, 1/8 mile south of SR 82, Brecksville



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Visitor Centers

Canal Visitor Center focuses on life along the canal and human history in the valley. Daily, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Happy Days Visitor Center is primarily an information/orientation facility, but also holds a variety of interpretive and musical programs. Wednesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center has exhibits highlighting agricultural history and recreational opportunities in the valley. Weekends only, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Boston Store exhibits tell the story of canal-boat building in the valley. Weekends only, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Peninsula Depot Visitor Center is an information/orientation facility developed to help visitors explore Cuyahoga Valley National Park, Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad, the Village of Peninsula, and the Ohio & Erie Canalway. The visitor center is open Saturdays and Sundays, March 3 through May 27, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Program Information

(216) 524-1497 or (880) 445-9667

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Members of Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association, the park's friends group, receive the *Schedule of Events* in the mail as a service provided by CVNPA. Membership in CVNPA directly supports the activities and events of the park. For more information on how to become a member, visit www.cvnpa.org or call (330) 657-2909. See page 4.

The *Schedule of Events* is published quarterly by the National Park Service and is available online at www.nps.gov/cuva and at all CVNP visitor centers.

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